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FORT MOHAVE RESIDENT SENTENCED TO 27 MONTHS IN PRISON FOR TRAFFICKING IN SILENCERS

PHOENIX – Paul K. Charlton, U.S. Attorney for the District of Arizona, and Lester D. Martz, Special Agent in Charge for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), announced that on June 28, 2004, Timothy Holt, DOB 7/22/67, of Fort Mohave, Ariz., was sentenced to 27 months in prison and ordered to perform 100 hours of community service for Conspiracy to Manufacture and Possess Unregistered Silencers in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371 and three counts of Possession of Unregistered silencers in violation of 26 U.S.C. § 5861(d), by United States District Judge Paul G. Rosenblatt in Phoenix.

Holt previously plead guilty to the four felony offenses on March 22, 2004. In the course of his guilty plea, Holt admitted that during the period of April 1, 2002 through September 6, 2002, Holt and another individual conspired to unlawfully manufacture and possess silencers. On April 1, 2002, a co-conspirator met with an ATF undercover agent and offered to act as a middle man for the undercover agent and to ask whether Holt would manufacture firearm

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silencers for the agent. In total, Holt sold 40 silencers to the agent on four different occasions for a combined sales price of \$3,800. At sentencing, the government noted that Holt was found in possession of five additional silencers on the day of his arrest, July 8, 2003.

This prosecution is another success for the District of Arizona's Project Safe Neighborhood's firearms enforcement program and ATF's Operation Riverside.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

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